

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
  - a computer system including a processor and a memory for:
    - retrieving digital media content;
    - performing processing decompression and decryption functions that may otherwise be handled by a thin media client on the digital media content, wherein the functions vary according to a type of the digital media content and are capable of being performed during and after the digital media content is downloaded;
    - temporarily storing the digital media content in the memory for various lengths of time as needed by performance demands;
    - buffering the digital media content; and
    - providing the digital media content as needed via a user interface to a thin media client using a first network.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the thin media client comprises an audio client.
3. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein the digital media content comprises an audio file.
4. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein the digital media content comprises realtime audio information.
5. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 2, wherein the thin media client comprises a video client, and wherein the digital media content comprises video information.
6. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 5, wherein the thin media client comprises an image client, and wherein the digital media content comprises image information.

7. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
transcoding the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
8. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
performing a rights management task associated with the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
performing—a the decompression function on the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
performing—a the decryption function on the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
11. (Cancelled)
12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
providing an interface associated with the thin media client to a user to allow the user to access one or more features of the thin media client.
13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the computer system is for:  
retrieving the digital media content using a second network.
14. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the first network comprises a home network.
15. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a computer system comprising:  
retrieving digital media content;  
performing—processing decompression and decryption functions that may otherwise be handled by a thin media client on the digital media content, wherein the

functions vary according to a type of the digital media content and are capable of being performed during and after the digital media content is downloaded;

temporarily storing the digital media content in a memory of the computer system for various lengths of time as needed by performance demands;

buffering the digital media content; and

providing the digital media content as needed via a user interface to a thin media client.

16. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the thin media client comprises an audio client.
17. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the digital media content comprises an audio file.
18. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the digital media content comprises realtime audio information.
19. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the thin media client comprises a video client, and wherein the digital media content comprises video information.
20. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the thin media client comprises an image client, and wherein the digital media content comprises image information.
21. (Original) The method of claim 15, further comprising:  
transcoding the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
22. (Original) The method of claim 15, further comprising:  
performing a rights management task associated with the digital media content prior to providing the digital media content to the thin media client.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising:  
    performing—a the decompression function on the digital media content prior to  
    providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising:  
    performing—a the decryption function on the digital media content prior to  
    providing the digital media content to the thin media client.
25. (Cancelled).
26. (Original) The method of claim 15, further comprising:  
    providing an interface associated with the thin media client to a user to allow the  
    user to access one or more features of the thin media client.